10. Prof. S. Krishnaswamy
Vice-Chancellor Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai.

(c) The Selection Committee constituted by the UGC consisted of Prof. Anita Banerji, Prof. Y. B. Damle, Prof. Yogendra Singh, Prof. Iqbal Narain, Prof. Usha Mehta, Prof. J. S. Singh and Prof. Madhuri R. Shah.

(d) The awards have been instituted on the basis of a proposal from Swami Pranavananda Saraswati, Director, Yoga Societies in America. The value of these awards was Rs. 5,000.00 which has now been increased to Rs. 10,000.00. Contributions by Indian Nationals working in, or associated with, the university system, either individually or jointly, during the last five to seven years are considered for the purpose of selection. These contributions could be in the form of books, monographs, papers and other relevant material which has contributed to the growth of the discipline. The research work should have been largely carried out in India. There is no age limit for the awards.

Adulteration of food stuffs

1132. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the percentage of adulteration in food stuffs during the last three years, state-wise, and Union Territory-wise;

(b) whether there has been any increase or decrease in adulteration in food stuffs during the above period; and

(c) the details of the action taken by Government for checking this trend and details of action taken against those found guilty of adulteration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) A statement is annexed. [*See* Appendix CXLII Annexure No. 62]

(b) and (c) The available information does not indicate any increase in the extent of adulteration in the food-stuffs in the country. The State/Union Territory Governments have been advised to strengthen the Prevention of Food Adulteration Enforcement machinery for better implementation of the Provisions of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954. The persons found guilty of manufacturing, storing or selling adulterated food stuffs are penalised by courts under the law.

Obscene films and Film posters in Dehli

1133. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:
SHRI F. M. KHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints regarding display of obscene films and film posters in Delhi as well as in some other parts of the country; and

(b) if so, whether this is due to the laxity in the censorship as also in the enforcement of Cinematograph Act by the Administration and if so, what remedial measures Government propose to take to check the production and public exhibition of such unhealthy films?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI):

(a) Yes, Sir. From time to time, the Government have been receiving complaints regarding display of obscene films and film posters in Delhi and other parts of the country.

(b) All films presented to the Central Board of Film Certification are examined by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952 (37 of 1952), and guidelines issued thereunder. According to the guidelines, the Board ensures, *inter-alia*, that human sensibilities are not offended by vulgarity, obscenity and depravity. Portions of the films which are considered objectionable in terms of the Guidelines are deleted before certificates are granted to films for public exhibition. The producers of the films may, if they so desire, appeal against the decision of the Board before the Film Cerification Appellate Tribunal whose decision is binding on the Board and the Producer.

Furthermore, even after the release of a film, if some objections or allegations are received by the Government against a film certified for public exhibition, the Government in terms of powers conferred to it under the Cinematograph Act review it with a view to determining the veracity of the objection/allegation made and take further action for remedying the situation, such as uncertifying the film in the whole or any part of India, suspending its exhibition for a specific period of time, or changing the category of the certificate, etc.

The exhibition of film posters, etc., is the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations who are expected to take suitable action in accordance with the provisions of the Cinematograph Act and/or the Indian Penal Code.

Catering and pantry car service in railway trains of N.F. Railway

1134. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the catering and pantry car service has been provided in all trains of N. F. Railway;

(b) whether the railway department is running the catering and pantry car service there; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Pantry/dining car services have been provided on the important trains of N.F. Railway. On other trains, catering requirements of the passengers are met from the static units en-route. The pantry/dining car services are managed by private contractors. The departmental catering service is available at some of the important stations, like, Guwahati, New Jalpaiguri, Darjeeling, Siliguri Jn. and Tinsukia.

DTC bus service from Sonia Vihar, Delhi

1135. SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA JAYAWANTRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that residents of Sonia Vihar a new colony near Wazirabad Bridge have no DTC bus service;

(b) if so what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that more than 3000 families residing in the colony have to walk for more than 2 kms. to get a bus; and

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take to tackle the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Sonia Vihar Colony is situated at a distance of about 2 Kms. from the main road on Wazirabad Bridge. The connecting road is very narrow and heavy duty buses cannot operate on it.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Bus service from Sonia Vihar will be possible after the link road becomes motorable.